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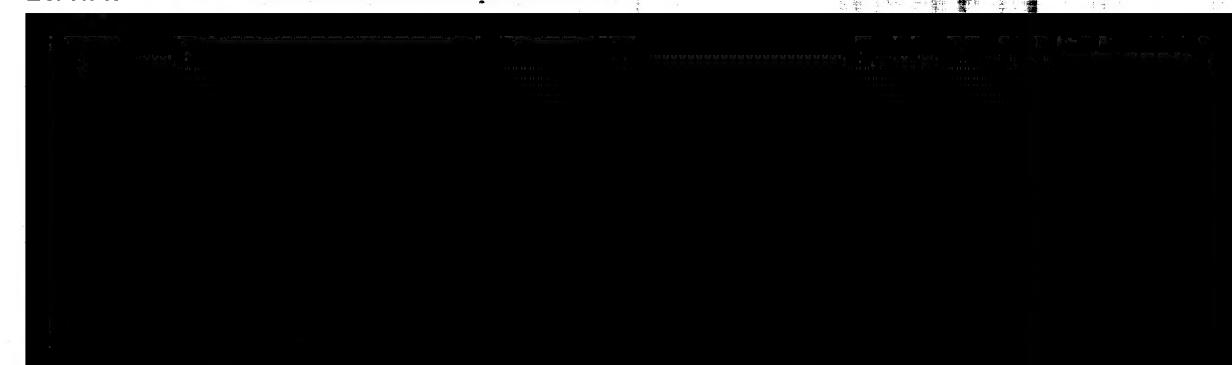
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1. Location: VINOGRADOV (38°35' E/55°25' N), Moscow Oblast, was located southeast of MOSCOW on the MOSCOW-KOLOMNA railroad line.
2. The village was being expanded toward the south by a settlement, from where a ditch was dug in the direction of MOSCOW. seamless tubes of 5-foot diameter were laid in the ditch. As far as could be remembered, five pipe lines were installed. A power plant was allegedly built in the settlement. It was believed that the pipe lines were connected with the power plant.
3. Two workshops were seen about 1.3 miles north of VINOGRADOV on a rising terrain. According to Soviets, a V-weapons test station in which German engineers were also working was housed in these buildings.
4. Soviets stated that there was a test station north of these two buildings on the other side of the hill.

25X1X6 5. [REDACTED] observed from this direction:

a. A glare of fire accompanied by noises similar to that produced by the "Stalin Organ," but much louder. This glare was seen at night, it lasted for 10 to 15 minutes, and recurred four to six times within two hours.

b. The same observation was made about noon but the glare of fire did not last as long.

c. Launchings were not observed.

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a. This is the first report on a V-weapons test station north of VILOGRADOV.

b.. The construction of a new settlement and power plant indicate the establishment of an industrial plant. However, the report requires confirmation.

c. The mentioned five pipelines may be part of the new SARATOV-KOBCH gas pipe line or a feeder line from this long-distance line to the new ~~power~~ plant.

d. The noises mentioned in para 5 may indicate the testing of rocket engines, but 10 to 15 minutes seems too long a time for the testing of such engines.

e. Until now, no mention has been made of a branch plant located farther to the south.

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